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The Vendor's Solicitors  
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THE SECOND FLOOR of No. 7, QUEEN'S ROAD.  
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THE COMPANY'S Steamship  
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Hadley, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at 5 p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.  
FOR SHANGHAI.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"TIENTSIN."  
Captain Dawson, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 25th instant.  
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THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.  
FOR LONDON VIA STRAITS.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"KINLUCK."  
Geo. W. Long, Commander, will be despatched as above on about the 11th June.  
For Freight, &c., apply to  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.  
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NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
STEAMSHIP "LENNON."  
FROM PORTLAND, OR, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOI.  
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.  
Cargo, including the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense.  
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**DEATH.**  
On the 17th May, at his Native place, Surat, (Bombay Presidency) NURSERWANJEE D. OLIA, late of Amoy, aged 64. [695a]

**The Hongkong Telegraph**  
HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MAY 23, 1899.

**TELEGRAMS.**  
(By Telegraph.)  
Special to the "Hongkong Telegraph."

**THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES.**  
MANILA, May 23rd.  
The following telegram was received at 5.15 p.m.  
American and Filipino commissioners held an important conference yesterday when the proposed form of government was explained. The President will appoint Governor-General and Judges, the Governor-General to have power to appoint Cabinet Judges and Cabinet members, who may be either Americans or Filipinos. Advisory Cabinet to be elected by Filipinos. The Filipino Commissioners are satisfied with the propositions.

**REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.**  
GREAT FIRE AT KLONDIKE.  
LONDON, May 21st.  
Dawson City has been almost destroyed by fire and much gold lost.  
AMERICAN ATHLETES TO VISIT ENGLAND.  
Athletes from Harvard and Yale Universities will visit England in July to compete with Oxford and Cambridge athletes.  
RUSSIA.  
The Czar has personally appointed a Committee to consider the cessation of transportation to Siberia.  
CRICKET.  
The Australians have beaten all England by 172.

**WEATHER REPORT.**  
The Observatory report says:—On the 22nd at 6.55 a.m.: The barometer has fallen slightly on the China coast, risen in the Sea of Japan. Pressure is highest over W. Japan, and still low over S. China. Gradients slight for S. and S.E. winds over the S. coast. FORECAST:—Light or moderate S. winds; showery.  
On the 23rd at 11.55 a.m.: The barometer has fallen in the Formosa Channel and is little changed elsewhere. Pressure is highest over the E. coast of China and in Japan, and low in S. China, and also in a trough between N.E. and S.W. winds, extending across the China Sea and the Philippines in about 13° Lat. Gradients slight on the China coast. FORECAST:—S.W. and varying winds, light to moderate; unsettled, showery.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**  
To-morrow being a public holiday, the anniversary of Her Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, there will be no issue of the Hongkong Telegraph.  
The U. S. battleship *Olympia*, Captain B. P. Lamont, with Admiral Dewey, arrived in port this morning.  
The returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended 21st May, are:—Europeans 192; Chinese 1,676; total 1,868.  
RETURNS showing number of cases of communicable diseases in the colony for the week ending 20th May:—Bubonic plague, 89 cases, 70 deaths. Small-pox, 3 cases.  
A POLICE raid was made upon No. 108 Queen's Road East last night. Twelve Chinamen were found gambling and brought up at the Magistrate's court this morning, where they were each fined one dollar.  
A BAD character from Macao was sentenced this morning at the Magistrate's to six months' hard labour, for stealing a quantity of goldleaf, valued at \$64, the property of Li Hing Tong, a silversmith of this colony.  
HAMPTON DENMAN, an American lieutenant who had been let out on bail from the police station was this morning absent when his case came on for hearing at the Magistrate's. Mr. T. Sercombe Smith ordered the bail to be forfeited.  
THE Mutual Store case against Hopkins was again heard at the Magistrate's this afternoon, most of the time being spent in going into different accounts. At 4.15 Mr. Sercombe Smith asked defendant, who was vigorously defending himself, if he would be much longer with his cross-examination. On receiving an answer in the affirmative, he said the case had better be adjourned until 2.15 p.m. on Friday, the 26th inst.

From the *Lurstan* we learn that plague has again made its appearance at Macao. The first case occurred in the middle of last week and the disease is said to have been introduced by a Chinese priest from Hongkong, who on his arrival went to lodge at No. 22, Rua de S. Paulo, where he died the next day. Several other cases occurred in the same house and in the neighbourhood. One of the persons attacked went to Pauane, and died there two days later. Strict precautions have been taken, a sanitary cordon being established round the infected district and no individual allowed to leave unless it be for medical purposes. It is hoped that the disease may not spread.

The report of the *Sun Ferry* Company, for the year ended 30th April last, appears in another column.  
YESTERDAY the Italian cruiser *Biancamano* arrived in port from Europe. She is to join the Italian squadron on this station.  
THIS Welsh Fusiliers returned to Hongkong yesterday, about 30 men of the Hongkong Regiment taking their place.  
To provide for the public requirements at Macao, because of the long-continued drought, the Government has stationed water-boats in the Inner Harbour and at the Praya Grande.  
It is reported that important discoveries of gold have been made within the limits of the British Territory at Wei-hai-wei and that Syndicates are already being formed to actively prospect the locality.

Mr. Rounsevell Widdiman, U.S. Consul General, forwards a storm warning issued from the Manila Observatory and dated 22nd May 5 p.m.:—Typhoon S.W. of Tindora moving slowly—probably recurring.  
When the E. and A. Co.'s steamer *Arlie* was off the coast of Panay Island, reports Captain Kock, "the American man-of-war *Helena* signalled for us to stop and heave to, and after steering close alongside signalled for us to proceed again."  
The following is from the British North Borneo official *Gazette*:—His Excellency the Governor, on his departure from the State of North Borneo on 10th April, appointed Messrs. Alexander Cook, E. P. Guentz and R. McEwen Little commissioners to administer the Government during His Excellency's absence.  
AMONG recently proved wills are those of Sir William Jenner, late physician to her Majesty, the gross value of which is £385,083, and Mr. John M. Cook, the well-known tour operator, £390,030. Mr. Cook left a number of legacies to different agencies for the promotion of temperance. Sir William Jenner bequeathed £10,000 to the royal college of physicians.  
THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—  
Rt. Rev. Bishop of Victoria, £1,000  
Anon. (Chinese), 2000  
Edinburgh Morning-side Congl. S. S., £80.20  
G. G. Edinburgh, 10.27

THE usual celebration of the Queen's Birthday will take place at the Happy Valley to-morrow, when the troops will form up at 6 p.m. to receive H.E. the Governor and H.E. the Major-General. The Volunteers will parade at Headquarters at 4.30 p.m. to-morrow, 24th instant, to take part with the remainder of the troops in Garrison in celebration of the Birthday of H.M. the Queen.  
THROUGH the administration of the Niger Coast Protectorate has been transferred from the Foreign to the Colonial Office, and will still remain in charge of Sir Ralph Moore, one of the youngest of our governors. He learned his business under Sir Claude Macdonald, who, by the way, is now on his way home from Peking, with health somewhat impaired by his recent anxieties.  
THE officers of the Telegraph Battalion at Aldershot have in their possession an interesting relic. It is nothing less than a telegraph instrument sent out to General Gordon in 1878 by Messrs. Siemens. It was found at Omdurman after Lord Kitchener's capture of the city. The telegraph line connected Khir Shambat, the arsenal at Omdurman and the dockyard at Khartoum, and the terminus was in a hut in which was found an old Egyptian telegraph clerk. Evidently the Khalifa did not object to trading upon the inventions of the infidels.  
IT is reported that fresh troubles have broken out in Szechuen between the populace and the Mission Etrangers, converts, and it is now reported that the French Missions have been attacked at Fun-yang and that many persons were injured. It is said that the French Bishop has started for the scene of the disturbance, which is regarded as very serious and no doubt comes very opportunely (if it was not purposely instigated) for the furtherance of French territorial claims in Szechuen, which lately have been having a "set-back." A few more outbreaks will help the claims along swimmingly and strengthen the hands of M. Haas, who is very anxious to distinguish himself before he leaves his post for home.—*China Gazette*.

**DAUGHTER ATTACK ON LADIES.**  
When troubles visit one, they usually come thick and fast. Such is the case, at any rate, with Mr. Mayers, the bereaved wife of the late Mr. J. Mayers, the gentleman who lost his life by an accident on the U.S.S. *Charleston* a few weeks ago. Whilst the thoughts of the sad occurrence of the sudden loss of her husband are still fresh in her memory, Mrs. Mayers was on Sunday evening attacked by a Chinese ruffian. In the afternoon she visited the grave of her departed husband, and afterwards returned to the Hongkong Hotel, but she decided to go out again and pay a call before dinner. So she left her room, paid the call, and was returning to the Hotel when Mrs. Mayers, who was passing Beaconsfield Arcade, Mrs. Mayers having in her hands a book, purse and some handkerchiefs, a Chinaman suddenly pounced upon Mrs. Mayers, knocked the articles from her hands and in some way tripped her up, and she fell heavily on her face and hands, sustaining several bruises. Whilst she lay prostrate the Chinese ruffian snatched up the purse and bolted. Mrs. Mayers went in pursuit, but the thief eluded her by jumping the rails and running across the military parade ground now under levelling operations. There were several Chinese who saw the flight of the thief, but not a thing would they do to help capture him, and he got clear away. Mrs. Mayers on getting upon her feet saw some Japanese coming along and she shouted "Waikushi, no hone, Nankin-san doropoi ato" (a Chinaman thief has stolen my pocket-book), and the men from Nippon went in pursuit, but were too late. A big crowd gathered around the ladies, and several soldiers came along, but pursuit was then useless. An Indian constable was on the beat, but as is the usual case, when wanted was not to be found until too late. Mrs. Mayers was accompanied to the Hongkong Hotel, where Dr. Heede attended to her. Although terribly shaken she is progressing favourably.  
Mrs. Mayers mentioned during our interview with her the kindness that has been shown to her since her husband's death, and she feels she cannot express her thanks sufficiently to the many friends who have so freely sympathised.

The question which arises over all these robberies of late is: What is to be done to stop them? Owing to the assaults on the Kennedy and Bowen Roads ladies are barred from walking along them under fear of attack, and to all appearances, it will not be safe now for them to walk even in the business thoroughfares. It owing to many of the police being required in the hinterland, a sufficient force is not available here, could not the military be requisitioned? We are sure the soldiers would be too glad to do duty for the sake of the peace, and especially for the protection of ladies. Something must be done, that is certain.

**THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
The following is the Report to be presented to the shareholders at the first ordinary annual meeting to be held at the Company's office, No. 1, Praya Central, at noon, Tuesday, the 30th day of May, 1899.  
The Directors have the pleasure to submit to Shareholders their Report with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th April, 1899. The net earnings of the boats after paying all working expenses were \$24,122.18.  
The net amount of credit of Profit and Loss Account after paying for repairs was \$16,051.81 which with the approval of Shareholders is proposed to be appropriated as follows:  
Dividend of 10 per cent. paid ..... \$1,000.00  
On Up Capital ..... 7,500.00  
Transfer to Reserve Fund ..... 2,000.00  
Written off Goodwill ..... 5,000.00  
Carry forward to new account ..... 551.81  
\$16,051.81

On the 1st May, 1898 the Company acquired and carried on the business of the Kowloon Ferry from Mr. Dorabjee Nowrojee with the following boats:—*Morning Star* (since sold), *Evening Star*, *Rising Star*, *Guiding Star* (double ended), *Morning Star* (double ended) building.  
On 17th November last the new *Morning Star* commenced running and subsequently the old *Morning Star* was sold. The traffic both to and from Kowloon has shown steady development throughout the year.  
Mr. A. Haupt, Mr. C. S. Sharp and Mr. E. S. Wheeler retire in accordance with the Articles of Association. Mr. E. S. Wheeler being eligible offers himself for re-election. Mr. A. Haupt and Mr. C. S. Sharp having resigned, their places have been taken respectively by the Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., and Mr. F. S. Sachs, and the appointments of these gentlemen were confirmed.  
Mr. W. H. Potts has audited the Accounts now present and the Directors recommend him for re-election.  
E. S. WHEELER, Chairman.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1899.  
**BALANCE SHEET, 30TH APRIL, 1899.**  
**Liabilities.**  
To Capital—  
10,000 Shares @ \$10 each (\$7.50 paid-up) ..... \$75,000.00  
Reserve Fund ..... 2,000.00  
Accounts payable ..... 18,464.28  
Balance of Profit and Loss A/c ..... 551.81  
\$96,016.09  
**Assets.**  
By 4 Ferry Boats ..... \$73,455.00  
Amount paid for Goodwill ..... \$15,000.00  
Less Amount written off ..... 5,000.00  
10,000.00  
Cash in hand ..... 100.00  
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank ..... 117,594.41  
Accounts receivable ..... 701.68  
\$96,016.09  
**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.**  
To Repairs and alterations to Boats ..... \$8,992.19  
Balance appropriated as follows:  
Directors and Auditors' fees ..... \$1,000.00  
Dividend of 75 cents per men ..... 7,500.00  
Transferred to Reserve Fund ..... 2,000.00  
Written off Goodwill ..... 5,000.00  
Carried forward to new Account ..... 551.81  
\$16,051.80  
By Net earnings of Boats ..... \$24,122.18  
Interest ..... 336.04  
Scrip fees ..... 132.00  
Profit on Sale of old *Morning Star* ..... 532.78  
\$25,044.00  
By Balance Brought Forward ..... \$2,000.00  
By Transfer from Profit and Loss Account ..... 2,000.00  
\$4,000.00  
EDWARD DESBOROUGH, Secretary.

**A GALLANT RESCUE BY A BRITISH OFFICER IN THE HINTERLAND.**  
Since the arrival of the 2nd Battalion of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers at this Colony, there is hardly an officer or man in that distinguished regiment that has made himself so popular by his fund of wit and humour as the variety stage as Lieut. Walwyn, and now it is with great pleasure that we find him equally as quick to perform a plucky and noble action in time of need as he is to amuse his comrades both of the rank and file, when leisure permits.  
Last Saturday when his Company, who are now in the hinterland, were employed in unloading junks of military stores, and putting same into sampans alongside at the mouth of the Sam Chun river, a private was unfortunately knocked overboard. Being unable to swim, and with a strong ebb tide flowing, his chances of reaching the shore were slight indeed, but, luckily for him, his officer, Lieut. Walwyn, noticed the accident. Grasping the situation at a glance he immediately pulled off his tunic, and not waiting to take his boots off, he jumped to the poor fellow's rescue, and was able to keep him afloat until help could be rendered. We are pleased to say neither Lieut. Walwyn nor the private have sustained any injury from their enforced dip.

**THE FLAQUE.**  
The following return shows the number of cases of plague that have occurred in each week from the beginning of the year:  
**WEEK ENDED. CASES. DEATHS.**  
January 21 ..... 1 ..... 1  
March 4 ..... 1 ..... 1  
" 11 ..... 0 ..... 0  
" 18 ..... 0 ..... 0  
" 25 ..... 3 ..... 3  
April 1 ..... 10 ..... 10  
" 8 ..... 19 ..... 19  
" 15 ..... 10 ..... 10  
" 22 ..... 31 ..... 31  
" 29 ..... 28 ..... 28  
May 6 ..... 64 ..... 64  
" 13 ..... 89 ..... 89  
" 20 ..... 87 ..... 87  
" 27 ..... 21 ..... 21  
" 24 ..... 24 ..... 24  
411 ..... 340

**FROM JAPAN PAPERS.**  
**THE PARIS EXPOSITION AND OUR EXHIBITS.**  
It may be interesting to note that the total number of our exhibitors throughout the country to the coming World's Fair has so far increased to 1,834, who will collectively send 26,107 articles, valued at 1,240,000 yen. Classified according to prefectures, those which send upward of ten thousand yen worth of exhibits are:  
Tokyo-fu 340,000, Kyoto-fu 370,000, Kanagawa 100,000, Aichi 60,000, Osaka-fu 50,000, Hyogo 50,000, Ishikawa 20,000, Toyama 20,000, Saga 20,000, Shizuoka 10,000, Nagasaki 10,000, and Fukuoka 10,000 yen.

**ANOTHER FRAUD.**  
On the 9th a man apparently 25 or 26 years of age called at the Changhai Exchange, 51, Settlement, Yokohama, and presented a forged cheque for yen 382. The cheque purported to have been drawn by Mr. S. Strauss on the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The note was cashed and it was afterwards found to be a forgery. The man, who was a native of Kishu, was formerly used in a workshop for the manufacture of clocks and surgical apparatus in Hamamatsu. An American man made organ belonging to a school in that town, and one day brought him to repair. The doctor being very slight, he succeeded without much ado in mending the instrument. This incident inspired him with the idea of a new business. One simply stands amidst the breaking off of diplomatic relations to make requisite preparations for repelling a foreign invasion. Such are the views ascribed to Lieutenant-General Viscount Mura. The conditions are too absurd and exaggerated to need any refutation. One simply stands amidst the breaking off of diplomatic relations to make requisite preparations for repelling a foreign invasion. Such are the views ascribed to Lieutenant-General Viscount Mura. The conditions are too absurd and exaggerated to need any refutation. One simply stands amidst the breaking off of diplomatic relations to make requisite preparations for repelling a foreign invasion. Such are the views ascribed to Lieutenant-General Viscount Mura.

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**A BIG FIRE.**  
A destructive fire has occurred at Shimada, Kariya district. May 19th, 1899. The result in the loss of 800 houses, including official and public buildings. During the conflagration, two persons were killed and several others seriously injured.

**ACCIDENT TO A KOBE MAN-AT-HONGKONG.**  
How little some people know about what they correspond. Here is a specimen sent to a "Japan paper." We are informed that Mr. Mayers, who is going on a launch to the U.S. cruiser *Charleston* in Hongkong, was struck by a pin from one of the cruiser's lifeboats, which accidentally fell out, and was seriously injured. Mr. Mayers remained unconscious for three hours, and it is feared has sustained an injury to his spine. Three Chinamen in the launch, which was wrecked, also sustained injuries, which will probably prove fatal, but there is every hope of Mr. Mayers' recovery.

**LEASE OF LAND.**  
It is reported that the Japanese Government is now negotiating with the Korean Government for the lease of several tracts of land on the coast of the neighbouring peninsula. The lease is, of course, simply to be for the benefit of Japanese fishers. The tracts of land, obtained by a Russian whaling company, are further understood that the Korean Government has consented to grant our request.

**THE BANKERS' UNION.**  
A meeting of the Bankers' Union of the western provinces was held at Osaka on the 6th inst., when speeches were made by Count Matsukata, Minister of Finance, and Mr. Yamamoto, President of the Bank of Japan. Count Matsukata dwelt upon the necessity of further developments of the credit system. Mr. Yamamoto cited some figures to show that the increase in the capital of the banks has not been proportional to the increase in their number, and pointed out the desirability of having a smaller number of banks with larger amounts of capital.

**THE DISTURBANCE AT SUCHOW.**  
A SETTLEMENT ARRIVED AT  
According to a report from the Japanese Consul at Suchow, says a Tokyo dispatch of May 11th, regard to the recent disturbances has been greatly reduced. The Chinese policemen implicated in the disturbance have been dismissed, with the exception of one who was sentenced to imprisonment for two months for the role in the case of the disturbance. The case sentenced to 100 strokes and imprisonment for two months, and the 2nd man has been ordered to issue a stringent warning to the people in order to prevent the recurrence of the disturbance. The compensation for the damage suffered by the Japanese will amount to \$600. The incident broke out at Suchow, a small town in the province of Kiangsu, and was caused by a dispute between a Japanese merchant and a Chinese official.

**GIRLS AND JAPANESE NOVELS.**  
A Japanese Conference of the principals of the Japanese Government has been held at Tokyo, and a resolution has been passed that the Japanese Government should take steps to prevent the export of girls to Japan for the purpose of being sold as concubines. The resolution was passed by a majority of 10 to 5.

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On all sides we are made aware of what Carlyle would call an "unpleasant" walk on the late war, and where there is an such speech, there cannot always be discretion. Captain Coghlan has only done what others have done, with the difference that his remarks touched on his nation's relations with a foreign Power. Too much talk is the public vice of the time and the bane of useful action everywhere, and the prompt extinction of Captain Coghlan may read a useful lesson to those who are too ready to make capital and notoriety, not only by words but by acts, at the expense sometimes even of the unity of international relations.

### THE CITY RAILWAY.

#### A POSSIBLE DEADLOCK.

The Premier states that at the Cabinet meeting held yesterday it was resolved that steps should be taken to prepare a scheme of city railway extension. The officers of the Works Department will be instructed to take the matter in hand at once. It will be necessary for the project to be submitted to the Public Works Committee. The scheme will be based upon the report of Mr. Rennick, the Victorian engineer, the details of which were recently published in the *Herald*. It is proposed that the terminus of the line shall be at Circular Quay. A very small portion only of Hyde Park will be interfered with. Stations will be provided at, Linc. pool-street and on the back of land now occupied by the Girls' High School.

It will be remembered in connection with this matter that the Public Works Committee has already reported to Parliament in favour of the adoption of the Hyde Park scheme as recommended by the Railway Commissioners. There is, therefore, the possibility that a "deadlock" may arise. The committee, when considering the scheme recommended by the Government will also have power to take other proposals into consideration. Should the Government scheme be rejected by the committee and another one recommended, Ministers will be placed in a somewhat awkward position.

The Minister for Works, when spoken to yesterday with regard to a possible difficulty of this kind, stated that in that event he did not think that it would be incumbent upon the Government to carry out the scheme recommended by the Public Works Committee. Of course, if the Government proposal was reported against by the Public Works Committee the whole scheme would fall to the ground; and the result, in his opinion, would be to throw back the adoption of a city railway scheme for many years.

### LAUNCH OF A FINE COASTING VESSEL.

It is expected that the finely-modelled schooner building for Mr. Alan Taylor will be ready for launching to-day or to-morrow. She is intended for the New South Wales coasting, timber, and general trade, and will measure about 100 tons. The feature of the vessel is that she comes under what is known as the auxiliary class of sails. Like the *Nagura*, launched at Mr. Drake's yard the other day, she is fitted with one of the Union Oil Engine Company's engines. In making the change the owner has in view the success which has attended the experiments made with these engines on the American coast, as well as on the New Zealand coast. The vessel will have 30-horse power engines, and, speaking with Mr. Holdship, who represents the company here, it was ascertained that the cost of running would not exceed a penny halfpenny per hour per indicated horse power. That would mean that to drive the new 100-ton craft say five or six knots per hour it would cost about 30 times three halfpence. The introduction of this auxiliary type of sailer is so far interesting inasmuch as when a coasting fleet, such as runs into shelter in bays along the seaboard of this colony in light head winds, or lies helpless in calms, would be able to continue on their voyages. In New Zealand it was shown recently that one of these vessels, the *Medora*, was saved from going on a lee shore owing to her auxiliary power. The simplicity with which the engines are worked is shown in the fact that a certificated engineer is not required, and engines of 60-horse power are as readily handled as of single-horse power. Vessels with as high as 120-horse power are using them on the New Zealand coast, and the *Alia*, a smartly-built schooner of 200 tons, at Sydney some time ago, and owned by the Hon. E. Mitchellson, of Auckland, is auxiliary up to 100-horse, giving a speed in light weather of eight knots. The *Vlad*, schooner, was fitted lately with 30-horse power, and has an auxiliary speed of 6½ knots. The compactness of the power, combined with its simplicity, is among the great advantages for Foreign trade and for uses on squatter stations, as well as a means for working hoisting gear by building contractors. This new motive power is attracting a good deal of attention.

(From the *Daily Telegraph*, April 29th.)

### THE WORLD'S GOLD.

The "Statist," of March 18th furnishes the following comparison:

	World's Gold Production.	Increased Stock in State Banks, &c.*
1896.....	£45,000,000	£21,000,000
1897.....	£57,500,000	21,200,000
1898.....	62,000,000	2,700,000

\* Includes eight millions of European State Banks, New York and United States Treasury.

Thus, in three years the gold production has been £160,000,000, but only £46,000,000 of this has gone into these great reserve banks leaving £114,000,000 absorbed elsewhere. Where has

ought not to be difficult to answer. Probably

the men gone to the front, and it ought not to be difficult to answer. Probably \$40,000,000 has been absorbed in what is termed the "wars" and jewellery, which fines the supply for purposes of circulation down to \$74,000,000. Of this, Russia has put one-third into circulation, the United States has absorbed fully another third, and the supplies sent to Japan and India make a considerable hole in the remainder. There have been plenty of channels for the absorption of the increased supply, so far. It is when one looks ahead and sees that we are going to have even more rapidly increasing supplies and that the exceptional demands of the past few years have been practically supplied, that the prospect of a glut of gold appears to become more imminent. Still, there is India to supply, and other countries have not by any means exhausted their powers of absorption, and a considerable further amount will, doubtless, find employment without material depression becoming apparent. That this also may be judged from the fact that the principal European banks now hold less gold than they did a couple of years back.

**BILLIARDS.**

—There appears to have been good reason for John Roberts falling so far behind in the early stages of his match with Dawson. The ball he was playing with had behaved "in such eccentric style" that the spectators as well as the player noticed it, and ultimately Roberts protested to the referee against it. After considerable argument the balls were changed, and Roberts getting a round one played in better style.

**PROMOTION IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE.**

boom, and outside the Boulder, nothing re-

(From Thursday Island Paper.)

### THE PROSPECTS OF FEDERATION.

THE question as to who will represent the colony in the House of Assembly is settled, and, contrary to some, otherwise with the remainder of the electors, the next question will be called upon to discuss, and one which shadows every other in the political world of the Federation. This question has been made the central subject with many candidates during the election, and the fact that several decided to stand or fall on it, should prove its importance. Every individual of the State will be interested in it, directly or indirectly, by the manner in which this question is decided, and it behooves all to look thoroughly into the clauses of the commonwealth Bill, so that we may know what we are advocating, and its bearing upon local politics. The measures taken, by the Premier of New South Wales, to give every individual exercising the franchise in the mother colony a opportunity of becoming thoroughly conversant with the Bill they will be called upon shortly to decide whether or not it shall be recommended. He has had enormous quantities of copies of the Amended Federal Enabling Bill printed, and a specially engaged staff are now posting these same copies to the electors at the rate of many thousands per day, between now and the date fixed for the taking of the referendum the people will have ample time to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest the same points contained in the measure, and should be perfectly prepared to give an opinion upon it, through the medium of the ballot box. It is with great pity that the other colonial Premiers have not taken the same steps as Mr. Reid, but perhaps they think it is not needed. Judging from the telegrams to date, and what information can be gathered from the largest northern exchanges, the prospects of Federation at the present time are particularly bright. It has been decided that the capital shall be in New South Wales, and this fact alone will bring a large number of voters to the Federal fold. Now that the passing of the measure rests with a simple majority the prospect should be as good as completed. The 80,000 and a majority clause was the bug-bear in the way of the acceptance of the Bill by the mother colony previously, but this has now been removed, and all should be plain sailing. It must be pleasing to the Federationists to hear that all the parties in the New South Wales Assembly (Ministerial, Opposition and Labour) have decided to support the Bill. Thus there were a few members of the Labour Party who raised a slight objection to the measure, but it was not so much based upon facts which they considered democratic; but these objections were persuaded not to kick against the pricks by their more discerning and liberal-minded colleagues. It appears then, that the fate of the Federal Enabling Bill depends only upon the treatment meted out to it by the New South Wales voters on June 28th next. Queensland is only waiting for the result of the balloting in the mother colony to be made known, and should it be in favour of the Bill the Queensland Premier is bound to have no trouble in having the measure passed in his colony. It will practically settle the question, and it only remains for the Bill to go before Her Most Gracious Majesty for her consent to make us a nation, that will be known far and wide as federated Australia. This will mean a great deal to the inhabitants of tropical and Northern Australia. With the motto 'Protection against the outside world, intercolony free trade' there should be no iniquitous border tax, etc., and our pastoralists will at last find the much desired and longed for outlet for their flocks, and they would be benefited, but they are too numerous to allow of detailed reference in the short space of our disposal. Let us hope that the Federation of Great Britain will soon be accomplished, for a consummation much to be desired by almost every man who believes in the axiom 'Australia for the white man.'

### ALICE SPRINGS.

WE learn from Mr. Maule, who has just returned from the Central districts, that the prospects of the Arltunga goldfield are decidedly in the ascendant. The wonderful White Range Reefs, specimens of which we have seen, and about which so much has been said and so little credited, have been taken up by a well-known Victorian mining speculator who is endeavouring to secure flotation upon the Melbourne market. It is to be regretted that the people of South Australia are so indifferent to their own interests as to allow this really phenomenal patch of country to be sold to the lowest bidder, and the smaller property is now upon the Adelaide market, and from what we hear we should say its prospects are good.

The Government battery which 'crushes' for about 12s per ton; afterwards cyaniding the tailings at a minimum cost, thus giving the settler the benefit of every grain of gold they contain, and furthermore, is giving at a profit by its sale of steel of twelve white men, the ruling wage being 7s 10s per week, and a liberal allowance for the men's expenses.

The miners state their determination to stick to the field, as to a man they are confident of its ultimate success, and the certainty of its soon becoming one of the richest mining centres of Australia. And there seems to be every reason to suppose that they are right.

### COUNTRY ITEMS.

OUR Woollege correspondent sends us the following:—The sheep have gone to April, and yielded 55 tons of stuff, yielding 38 boxes, 13 dwags, 3grs. The value of the yield is £1216.3s. 3d. The battery is still running merrily, crushing away, and the stone being put through at present is going much richer. The lode from which the ore is procured is 5ft wide, and composed of all good crushing-stone.

At Mount Gardiner Mr. Alfred Giles has several Chinamen engaged on his copper show, raising a trial parcel of 10 tons for shipment south. I fancy from the look of the stone, it may be the best 70 lb parcel ever shipped from Port Darwin.

### THE RECENT HURRICANE.

THERE was an idea prevalent on Thursday Island that the recent hurricane off Cape Melville was accompanied by a tidal wave, and such would appear to be the case. For Constable Kenny, who was on the beach at 10.15 a.m. on Sunday, October 1st, Cooktown, relates that on the Sunday morning (March 1st) an immense tidal wave swept inshore at Barrow Point, where it was trapped on a ridge, and reached waist high, the wave stretching between two and three miles inland. This accounts for the porpoises, etc., being left high and dry on the cliffs, and also for the devastation generally on shore. Native canoes were noticed by Dr. Roth 70 or 80 feet above high-water level, when he was engaged in distributing the Government stores at Barrow Point. He also saw the blood-red water, and in his report says: "There can be no doubt that my latest report found this place distinct, and the reef afforded to some extent shelter, and there is most beneficial."

OLYMPIA, American battleship, 5,760, H. P.  
Lamberton, 23rd May.—Manila 21st May

KASHING, British steamer, 1,300 T. W. H. General.  
 23rd May.—London 17th May; General.  
 Butterfield & Swire.

FUSHUN, Chinese steamer, 1,100 T. W. H. General.  
 23rd May.—Canton 23rd May; General.  
 C. M. S. N. Co.

MONKOUT, British steamer, 850 A. S. Caldwell.  
 23rd May.—Newchwang 16th May; General.  
 Chiofo 18th, Beans.—Wo Fat.

TIENKING, British steamer, 1,250 T. Dawson.  
 23rd May.—London 17th May; General.  
 Butterfield & Swire.

LENNOX, British steamer, 2,101 T. E. Williams.  
 30th, 23rd May.—Portland, Or. 23rd April.  
 General.—Doddwell & Co.

INABA MARU, Japanese steamer, 3,400 Wm.  
 Blairbridge, 23rd May.—London 17th May.  
 April, and Singapore. 17th May; General.  
 —Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

**Cleanances at the Harbour Office.**  
*Ukonan Maru*, Japanese str. for, Kutchinotsu.  
*China*, German str. for, Saigon.  
*Hanoi*, French str. for, Haikow.  
*Mongkut*, British str. for, Canton.  
*Leungmoon*, German str. for, Shanghai.  
*Pak Keng*, British str. for, Canton.  
*Nanyang*, German str. for, Swatow.  
*Fushun*, Chinese str. for, Shanghai.  
*Ching-yuen*, Chinese str. for, Canton.  
*Kaching*, British str. for, Shanghai.  
*Australv*, British str. for, Alagan.

*Taiyuan*, British str., for Nagasaki.

*St. Helens*, British str., for Swatow.  
*Circassian*, British str., for Swatow.  
*Esméralda*, British str., for Amoy.  
*Glenfallsch*, British str., for Swatow.  
*Eastern*, British str., for Shanghai.

**Departures.**

May 23, *Japan*, British str., for Shanghai.  
May 23, *Nanyang*, British str., for Amoy.  
May 23, *Haati*, French str., for Hoihow.  
May 23, *Clara*, German str., for Haiphong.  
May 23, *Michael Jeeben*, German steamer, for Vladivostok.  
May 23, *Australian*, British str., for Australia.  
May 23, *Jason*, British str., for Amoy.  
May 23, *Koshing*, British str., for Shanghai.  
May 23, *Choyssang*, British str., for Shanghai.  
May 23, *Loonquong*, German str., for Shanghai.

Passengers—Arrived.

stone and child, and Mrs. Worth.  
 \*Per *Gienfallech*, from Singapore—Messrs.  
 A. Widler, Guan Ahnana, 734 Chinese, and  
 21 Chinese Women.  
 Per *Preussen*, from Shanghai—Dr. E. Krieger,  
 Dr. Kempe, Misses A. and S. Garland—  
 Messrs. O. G. Wisner, F. Kohn, and H. H.  
 Sprague.  
 Per *Amagasa Maru*, from Japan for Hong-  
 kong—Capt. N. M. Black, Messrs. R. Kan-  
 ki, Kiakuto, Miss Toki, Kishii, and 19 Euro-  
 peans in steerage. For Australia—Miss M.  
 Rabone, Messrs. S. J. Rabone, S. Neal, C.  
 Deane, Mrs. F. Fawcley, and 5 Europeans  
 in steerage.  
 Per *Monkutit*, from Chiofoo—2 Chinese.  
 Per *Tientsin*, from Swatow—14 Chinese.  
 Per *Lennox*, from Moji—Mr. M. Miyasaka  
 and 4 Chinese.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>From.</i>	<i>Dis.</i>
Coptic .....	Shanghai	May 26th
Nobin .....	Singapore	May 26th
Chelydn .....	Singapore	May 27th
Eftami Maru .....	Thursday Id.	May 27th
Empress of China .....	Vancouver	May 29th
Athenian .....	Vancouver	May 31st
America Maru .....	San Francisco	June 3rd
Hiroshima Maru .....	Singapore	June 3rd
Olympia .....	Tacoma	June 5th
City of Peking .....	San Francisco	June 5th

We would direct the attention of shipping firms to the fact that the above are the only vessels that are permitted to call at Seattle.

are now published in these columns, and in so doing respectfully urge the managers of shipping firms to give orders to the agents to furnish this office with the information already

PROTECTED SAILINGS		
Ship.	Destination.	Day.
Africa.	Yokohama, &c.	May 26.
American Maru.	San Francisco, &c.	June 1.
Bainbrig.	Havre, &c.	June 1.
Bayern.	Strait, &c.	May 30.
Belgian King.	San Diego, &c.	May 30.
Binga Maru.	Marseilles, &c.	June 2.
Cardianshire.	Japan.	May 26.
Cardisle City.	San Diego, &c.	Aug. 2.
Carmarthenshire.	San Diego, &c.	July 20.
China.	San Francisco, &c.	July 18.
City of Peking.	San Francisco, &c.	June 23.
City of Rio.	San Francisco, &c.	July 23.
Colombia.	Portland, &c.	July 23.
Coptic.	San Francisco, &c.	June 6.
Deike Rickmers.	New York, &c.	July 23.
Doric.	San Francisco, &c.	July 23.
Emp. China.	Vancouver, &c.	June 7.

Emp. India	.....	July 19
Emp. Japan	.....	July 19

Gaelic .....	San Francisco & .....	July 12
Glaucus .....	London, & .....	Aug. 2
Glenogle .....	Victoria, B.C. ....	May 8
Huatan .....	Swatow, & .....	May 2
Hector .....	London, & .....	June 2
Ikwini Mari .....	Seattle, & .....	June 1
Inaba Mari .....	Y'hama (Direct) ..	May 2
Indrapura .....	New York, & .....	June 2
Java .....	London, & .....	June 2

Kasuga Maru	Thursday 18, &c.	May
Kintuck	London &c.	June

Kongkong	Hankow, H.C.	Aug. 2
Leontos	Portland, B.C.	May 2
Maizau Maru	Sawato, B.C.	May 2
Nanchang	Tientsin (Direct)	June 2
Nippon Maru	San Francisco, B.C.	Aug. 2
Nobia	Shanghai, B.C.	May 2
Olympia	Victoria, B.C.	July 2
Parumattia	London, B.C.	May 2
Preussen	Singapore, B.C.	May 2
Queen Margaret	San Francisco, B.C.	Oct. 2
Rosetta	Japan, B.C.	June 2
Sakuma Maru	Shanghai, B.C.	June 2
Siberia	Hankow, B.C.	May 2
Tacoma	Victoria, B.C.	July 2
Taiyuan	Nagasaki, B.C.	May 2
Tartar	Canada, B.C.	June 2
Thyria	San Diego, B.C.	May 2
Tientsin	Shanghai, B.C.	May 2
Undenated	New York, B.C.	May 2
Vancouver	Victoria, B.C.	June 2
Vergil	New York, B.C.	May 2

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KASUGA MARU.....	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE and ADELAIDE	FRIDAY, 26th May, at 4 P.M.
FUTAMI MARU.....	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO.	MONDAY, 29th May, at 4 P.M.
*IDZUMI MARU.....	SEATTLE, WASH., U.S.A., VIA KOBE, YOKOHAMA and VICTORIA, B.C.	THURSDAY, 1st June, at 4 P.M.
BINGO MARU.....	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SUNDAY, 4th June.

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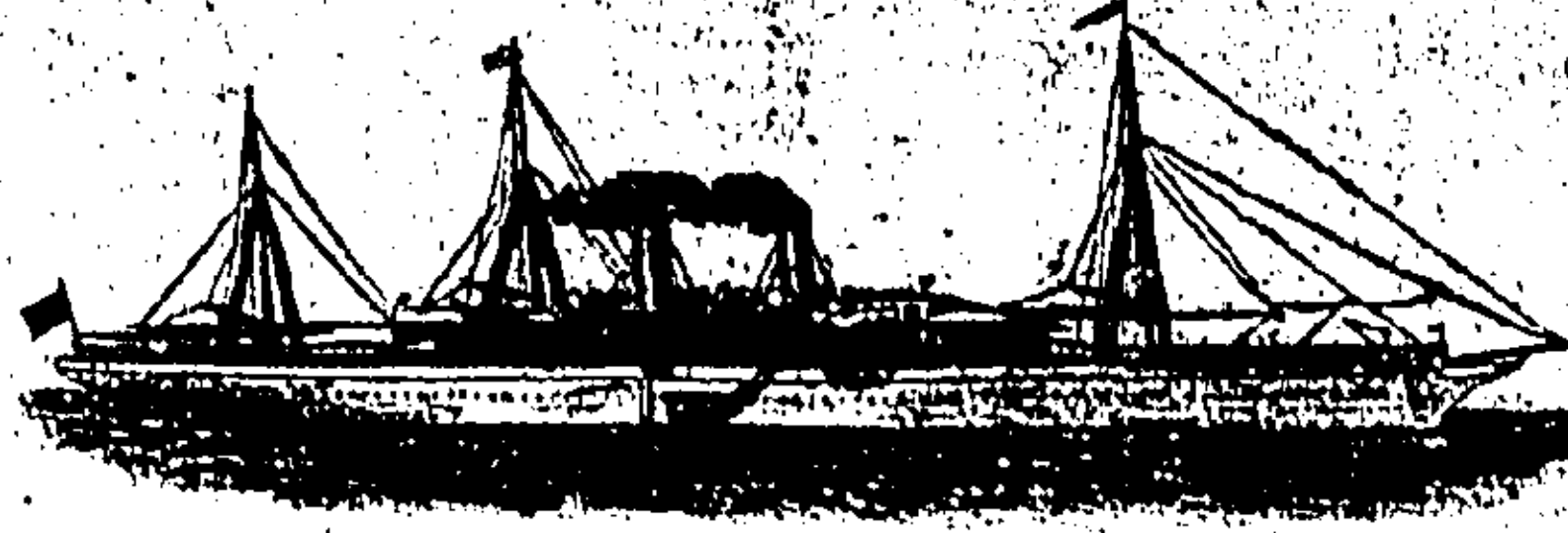
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